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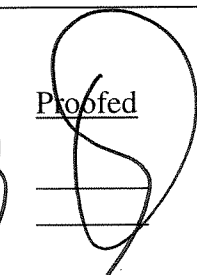
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Expand the existing agricultural development and diversification grant program under s. 93.46 (2) to allow grants for projects related to bioindustries development. In particular, allow grants for the following additional purposes (please reword and regroup as you see fit):

1. Encourage use of alternative energy sources including fuels derived from agricultural products
2. Reduce the generation of or increase beneficial reuse of agricultural wastes
3. Encourage the establishment of alternative energy sources including digesters
4. Encourage the development of biochemicals from agricultural products

Allow grants of up to \$150,000 for planning and \$150,000 for implementation. A recipient may receive a total of \$300,000.

I have attached a summary of the DATCP request. Several of the purposes listed are already allowed by the existing grant program.

GRANTS

Institute a grant program in DATCP that would expand use of biomass for non-food and feed purposes; build State capacity for accelerating biomass technology deployment in partnership with industry; and provide assistance and outreach.

Projects would

- demonstrate new technologies utilizing current Wisconsin agricultural crops or new crops
- test technologies making productive use of animal and crop waste streams
- create new enterprises and opportunities (jobs) in the food, agricultural and supporting industries
- implement use of alternative energy sources (help implement renewable resource recommendations for state agencies and schools)
- establish resource systems/centers to promote technologies, provide technical assistance and financial consulting
- establish or expand markets for agricultural products
- transfer practical, reliable and timely information to farmers, coops and others through educational programs, workshops, information sharing, and demonstrations of established technologies

Eligible Participants

Individuals, groups, businesses, and organizations involved in Wisconsin agriculture would be eligible to apply for the grants. Preference would be given to proposals that

- demonstrate a significant potential for community development and benefit agricultural producers.
- involve collaborations or partnerships among producers, industry, academia, or agricultural organizations.
- reduce the use of chemical pesticides, fertilizers and toxic materials or resulting waste from agricultural production
- could be used as match for federal 9006 program grants.
- provide matching funds in the form of cash or in-kind contributions.

Incorporate the following recommendation from the Report of the Governor's Task Force on Energy Efficiency and Renewables into the grant program proposed above.

• Funding for Anaerobic Digester Research and On-Farm Application.

Given Wisconsin's numerous dairy farms, anaerobic digesters are a renewable technology with strong potential for the state. However, questions about technology and economic feasibility remain barriers to the widespread use of digesters. The Task Force recommends increasing funding of two DATCP programs to foster research and development of digesters.

~ The first program is the Agricultural Development and Diversification (ADD) Grant Program. This program awards grants on a competitive basis to new technologies, research and development projects, and feasibility studies for farmland resources. The Task Force recommends setting aside funds in this program for anaerobic digesters. This will require a statutory change giving DATCP the authority to use these funds specifically for digester research and development.

~ The second program is the Wisconsin Agricultural Stewardship Initiative (WASI). This is a non-profit organization established to coordinate and guide the application of technologies



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3 20.115 (4) (c) *Agricultural investment aids.* Biennially, the amounts in the
4 schedule for agricultural research and development grants under s. 93.46 (2) ✓ and (3)
5 and sustainable agriculture grants under s. 93.47.

History: 1971 c. 125, 215; 1973 c. 90, 299, 333; 1975 c. 39 ss. 78m, 79, 79m, 79n, 732 (1); 1975 c. 224; 1975 c. 394 ss. 1, 27; 1977 c. 29 ss. 112 to 115v, 1650m (1), (4), 1654 (1); 1977 c. 87, 106, 181, 418; 1979 c. 34, 129, 221, 289, 335; 1981 c. 20, 66, 93, 283, 346, 357; 1983 a. 27, 132, 368; 1983 a. 410 ss. 5, 2202 (2); 1985 a. 7, 8, 29, 138, 153, 313; 1987 a. 27, 281, 354; 1987 a. 399 ss. 34 to 38, 38u; 1987 a. 403 s. 256; 1989 a. 31, 219, 227, 282, 284, 335, 336; 1991 a. 39, 269, 309, 315; 1993 a. 16, 166, 243, 437, 456, 497; 1995 a. 27, 42, 79, 460; 1997 a. 27, 192, 252, 264; 1999 a. 5, 9, 55, 185; 2001 a. 16, 38, 56, 103, 109; 2003 a. 33, 38, 133, 326, 327.

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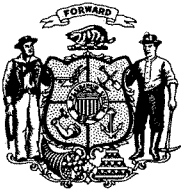
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